

PRES. WILSON TAKES SHARE

WIRES ASSOCIATED PRESS THAT DELAY IS DUE TO PROPER CONSIDERATION OF PEACE MATTERS. BUT THE TIME FOR ACTION HAS COME

Paris, April 1.—President Wilson today explained that he was willing to accept his share of the responsibility for the delay in settling questions before the Peace Conference. He was careful to say, however, that the delay was not due to any particular subject or any particular nation, but the consideration of matters as a whole and their relation to others involved. He declared, however, that the time had arrived for action, and results.

ELM CITY LETTER

A gloom was cast over our town Sunday when the sweet spirit of Mrs. B. M. Newsome passed to the great beyond. Mrs. Newsome was taken with influenza the first of January, then went into double pneumonia. Everything which loving hands and tender nursing could do was done to save her, but to no avail. Mrs. Newsome was formerly Miss Hattie Dixon. She and Mr. Newsome were married the 6th of last August. "Hat," as she was familiarly called will be greatly missed, and it's hard to know we must give her up. Mrs. Newsome is survived by her husband, Mr. B. M. Newsome; her mother, Mrs. Della Dixon; a sister, Mrs. J. O. Lewis, and two brothers, Sam G., who is in France, and John L. Dixon. Mrs. Newsome was a devoted member of the Methodist church. The funeral was held from the home at three o'clock Monday afternoon and the burial was made in Cedar Grove cemetery.

Mrs. J. M. Brooks was the attractive hostess Friday morning to the members of the Rook Club at her apartment in the Taylor House. After the game delicious cream and cake was served. Those playing were Misses Doretha Farmer, Bertha Williams, Quillie Patterson, Minnie Cobb, Mesdames W. M. Wells, L. L. Sloop and G. M. Brooks. Misses Sue Fountain and May Acca Warren spent the week-end in Tarboro.

Miss Addie Pridgen of G. C. W. Greensboro, and Mr. Fred Pridgen of Trinity College spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Pridgen.

Mrs. A. A. Wells is in Norfolk, Va., the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Grasham.

Miss Beatrice Parker of St. Mary's, Raleigh, spent the week-end at her home here.

Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Biggs and daughter, Miss Fannie Paul of Bethel are visiting in the city, and their many friends are glad to see them.

Messrs. Bailey Pridgen and Eli Crumpler arrived last week from France.

Mrs. W. R. Padgett has returned to her home in Raleigh, after a visit to her mother, Mrs. Katherine Cobb.

The Tolson Literary Club held a delightful meeting with Mrs. Josephus Parker at her lovely country home Friday afternoon. Roll called—Quotation on the Declaration of Independence. Paper—Charlotte, Mrs. E. R. Brinkley. Solos, "Baby Dear," and "Four Leaf Clover," Miss Blanche Wells. After the program the hostess served a delicious tea course.

Miss Grace Lucas spent the week-end at her home in Kenly.

Recess Appointment for Thos. D. Warren

Washington, April 1.—Thomas D. Warren, of New Bern, has been named United States attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, according to announcement made at the White House. The appointment is a recess one.

KILLING FROST TONIGHT

Washington, April 1.—For North Carolina: Fair tonight with heavy to killing frost on Wednesday and fair and not quite so cold, with gentle to moderate north winds.

TROOPS WILL BE SENT

To Woodstock, Virginia to Protect Prohibition Officers Who Were Implicated

SHOOTING BOOTLEGGERS

Richmond, Va., April 1.—Troops have been called for to be sent to Woodstock, Virginia for the protection of the four prohibition inspectors who are charged, with the shooting of Lawrence D. Hudson, the alleged bootlegger, and also the killing of Raymond Shackelford, also charged with selling liquor. These men are to be arraigned tomorrow on their preliminary trial. The Commonwealth attorney is of the opinion that the men will not need protection, but the sheriff of the county things differently, and has asked for the militia.

ROOT FIGURES IN

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Paris, April 1.—Commenting on the sixth amendment of the League of Nations and the suggestions offered by Senator Elihu Root, the Republican leader, a member of the American Peace Delegation who speaks with authority, says that he believes all the amendments will be acceptable to the American delegates.

JAP COLONIZATION

NOT ENCOURAGED

Los Angeles, Cal., April 1.—The owners of the California-Mexico Land and Cattle Company's property in Lower California still adheres to a declaration made to the State Department in 1917, that they will not "under any circumstances make any lease of any kind to Japanese, where colonization is probable, until we are first authoritatively informed that such an arrangement will be entirely agreeable to the government of our own country."

This was announced here today by Harry Chandler, president of the company.

Merchants Should Agree on a Closing Hour

Now that the clocks have been moved forward the merchants of Wilson should agree upon some hour to close their places of business. If they require their help to get up and open by the clock, yet close by the sun it is not treating their help with justice. We should agree upon some closing hour for the week days and for Saturday nights. This law was intended to save daylight and to enable those who worked in stores, factories and offices to be able to work in their gardens in the evenings.

James Dempsey Bullock.

THORNS SCHOOL NEWS

Miss Nellie West and pupils went fishing last Friday at Thorns old mill and Mr. Lee Robbins took the school children's pictures.

Mrs. Pattie Robbins, Mrs. Mable Robbins, Mrs. Eszle Robbins, Lee Robbins, Misses Annie and Georgie Thorn were out visiting and report a nice time.

Little Miss Nellie Sharpe spent Saturday night at her grandfather's Mr. W. B. Thorn.

Mr. C. E. Johnson and Mr. W. A. Thorn visited Mr. J. J. Thorn Sunday afternoon.

Misses Nannie and Maybell Gooch were the guests of Miss Margaret Wiggins Sunday afternoon.

Misses Sallie, Fannie and Angie Thorn visited their sister, Mrs. M. G. Sharpe Saturday.

Mrs. Nora Williford spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Pattie Varnell.

Mr. W. B. Thorn spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Wiggins.

Mr. James Harrell was in this section Friday.

Mr. Roy Bridges visited his brother, Mr. Turner Bridges, Sunday.

WILL ALLIES ALLOW GERMANS

To Discuss Terms of Peace Treaty or Will They Lay

DOWN AN ULTIMATUM

Paris, April 1.—The foreign ministers of the four great powers, with one of the Japanese delegates, will meet Tuesday to discuss the procedure at Versailles, or wherever the allied commissioners meet the German peace commission. All the possibilities embraced in such a meeting will be considered by the allied representatives, such as the question of a short or long session; whether an opportunity will be given the Germans to enter into any discussion of the terms and whether the Germans will be required to sign immediately or will be permitted to return to Germany for further instructions.

The first meeting between the financial commission of the peace conference and the German financial agents will take place Thursday at Compeigne, where an indefinite session will be held to arrange the exchange of German securities for foodstuffs.

After the first session it is probable no members of the allied financial commission will remain in Compeigne, as the business to be transacted will be of such a nature that trained bankers can conduct.

In addition to Compeigne, committee are also working at Cologne for the disposition of raw material, at Rotterdam on arrangement concerning shipments of food, and at Spa concerning the details of taking over German shipping. The committee at Rotterdam is the one that looked after Belgian relief work before the armistice was signed.

London, April 1.—The completed draft of the convention creating a permanent organization for the promotion of labor interested and international regulation of labor conditions consists of forty-one articles. The first chapter deals with the general outlines of the organization, which will consist of a general conference of representatives and an international labor office.

Meetings of the general conference will be held at least once yearly. The conference will include representatives of the employers and workers. Each delegate may be accompanied by two advisors and when women's rights are involved, at least one of the advisors should be a woman.

The conference will meet at the seat of the league of nations, where the international labor office will be established as part of the league organization.

NO DATE FOR FLIGHT

YET DETERMINED

Washington, April 1.—While final plans for the projected trans-Atlantic flight of naval seaplanes are rapidly taking form, the officers in charge have not decided upon even a tentative date for the start. It was explained officially at the Navy Department that the getaway would be controlled as much by windstorms current at New Foundland as by clear weather.

THE PACKERS RELEASED

FROM GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Washington, April 1.—All the meat packers were today released by the food administration from Government control. This applies to packers and importers of meats, pork and beef who have heretofore been opening under a license.

TRANSPORTS WITH

30TH UNITS ON BOARD

Charleston, S. C., April 1.—The transport Madawaska with General S. L. Faison and units of the 30th division on board, which was expected to arrive this afternoon will not arrive until tomorrow at eleven o'clock, according to radio advices received by the 6th naval district headquarters today. The transport Huron with units of the 30th aboard is expected tomorrow at noon instead of Friday as scheduled. It is two days ahead of its schedule.

ASKS PROTECTION FOR WOMEN

Who Ride on Sleepers From Prohibition Officers Who Invade Berths

COMPLAINT OF MAYOR

Richmond, Va., April 1.—Charging that "thugs in the guise of officers," searching for whiskey in Pullman cars passing through Virginia, do not hesitate to invade the sleeping quarters of respectable women, flashing in their face searchlights and revolvers. P. C. Moore, mayor of Wilmington, N. C., has written to W. D. Hines, director general of railroads at Washington, requesting protection by the Federal government against outrages perpetrated by prohibition agents in Virginia on the traveling public. In his letter to Director General Hines Mayor Moore enclosed a newspaper clipping, supporting, presumably, the charges made by himself. In his letter he not only accused prohibition agents, or men masquerading as such in Virginia, of outraging the feelings of women patrons of Pullman cars, but bluntly charges that women were having their luggage rifled by thieves, who stole what met their fancy from satchels and grips.

"These dastardly acts are perpetrated, I understand, between Washington and the North Carolina line," the letter reads. "There was a time when the good women of our city and nation felt secure while traveling upon a Pullman car, but the time is now here when they must have a protector while occupying a berth upon lines controlled by the great United States Government. My State and city enforce the prohibition law, but we do not permit men, God save the mark, to violate the sanctity of the home or sleeping quarters of the womanhood of the land."

The letter from Mayor Moore was turned over by Director General Hines to John Barton Payne, a general counsel for the United States Railroad Administration, who, under date of March 25, communicated with Governor Davis, enclosing a copy of Mayor Moore's letter, acquainting the governor with the facts. "Nothing is doing so much to injure the good name of Virginia," writes Mr. Payne, "as the conduct of the prohibition officers." The newspaper clipping enclosed by Mayor Moore to Director General Hines was not contained in the communication from Payne to Governor Davis.

Governor Davis has written to State Prohibition Commissioner Peters, enclosing copies of the letter from Mayor Moore and Payne, and calling upon the Virginia commissioner to enjoin upon his men the necessity of acting within their legal authority, and that they be particularly tactful when dealing with women.

MARKETS

COTTON

New York, April 1.—Relatively steady cables and unseasonable temperatures over the cotton belt induced covering and buying in the cotton market today. The opening was from 10 to 14 points higher on the new style months through buying by spot houses and brokers. Liverpool bought May and sold July while the south sold moderately.

Cotton future opened steady, May old 24.25, new 25.23, July old 22.25, new 22.80; October old 20.50, new 20.75; December old 20, new 20.40; January new 20.20. At noon May was 25.44. Spots Wilson market 25 3-4.

STOCKS

New York, Wall Street, April 1.—Shippings and Leather s shares which featured in yesterday's late decline opened steady at an advance of from 1 to 1-2 points. Equipments and Distillers also showed progress, but the Motors moved actively at concessions. The corn products eased a point. United States Steel eased slightly but rallied on the strength of its affiliated stocks. Baldwin Locomotive and Rails showed little change in the first half hour.

FOCH ON HIS WAY TO SPA

HUNGARIANS GOING TO BERLIN

To Make Treaty With Germans Against Allies. Communists and Their Plan

FOR DIVIDING PROPERTY

Budapest, April 1.—The Hungarian government has sent a delegation to Berlin to conclude a treaty of alliance against the Entente Allies. German officers formerly belonging to Field Marshal Mackensen's army have arrived in Budapest to reorganize the Hungarian army along German lines. The army now numbers one hundred thousand men.

Budapest, via Vienna.—The plunge of Budapest into anti-capitalism continues with feverish efforts to show that the reign of law and order is undisturbed. The city is outwardly quiet since the first few days in which there was much looting, especially of jewelry shops. As a result of the looting, it is reported, 150 persons were executed by the new regime, their communistic ideas apparently being too violent.

The new freedom exists for those who are willing to live as the government dictates. Two important newspapers, the Pester Lloyd and the Azeit, print only what the censor permits. Foreign correspondents may transit by telegraph if they write what is desired by the government.

Czech troops who have been fighting the communists in Southern Slovakia have captured the city of Kanchau, 140 miles northeast of Budapest, and other points. The German colonists in Western Hungary and Transylvania are hostile to the communists and are attempting to establish their independence.

The French troops at Szegedin, southern Hungary and elsewhere it is said, are permitting the communists to establish themselves in control as they wish, despite the fact that there were riots in small industrial centers where the communists held organized parades after fashion set in Budapest.

Those entering the country may leave only by the personal permission of Bela Kun, foreign minister has acknowledged in an interview that Hungary's commune does not desire to make war on the entente at present, but asserts that Hungary wishes to live peacefully with all.

THE CULGOA IS SAFE

New York, April 1.—The naval officers report that the naval supply ship, the Culgoa, which hove to yesterday in a severe southeast gale off this port is proceeding here slowly at the rate of six knots an hour. The boat has on board 104 casualties comprising troops from North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Kansas, and Pennsylvania.

IN LEAGUE WITH GERMANS

Washington, April 1.—Secretary Baker has approved a request of the British military authorities in Turkey that they be allowed to prefer a charge of treason against James Spohr, a naturalized citizen of the United States, and his wife, who, it is alleged have been in collusion with the spy system in Palestine.

AUSTRALIAN PRESIDENT KICKING

Paris, April 1.—In a speech last night at a banquet given by the Press Club of this city to the Peace delegates from the British Dominions, President Hughes of Australia declared that the deliberations of the Peace Conference moved too slowly, and they should be speeded up. He said that he was opposed to giving Germany any latitude, and wanted matters arranged so that she would never have an opportunity to start another war as she did in 1914.

WITH FULL POWERS TO NEGOTIATE WITH GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES. AMERICAN DELEGATES DO NOT FEEL PEACE NEGOTIATIONS MOVING FAST ENOUGH. RHINE FRONTIER AND REPARATION SEEM TO BE THE HITCH.

Paris, April 1.—Marshal Foch will leave for Spa tonight to meet Matthias Erzberger and negotiate with the Germans regarding the movement of the Polish troops to the port of Dantzig. The Marshal is empowered to handle all matters in connection with this subject. He will be in close touch and communication with the council of Four, or Wilson, Clemenceau, George and Orlando.

Karolyi in League With Germans

Paris, April 1.—Documents in the possession of the French and Roumania governments it is alleged proved conclusively that Count Karolyi the Hungarian Prime Minister who was recently assassinated and his government overthrown was in secret league with the Germans, and was working to oppose the plan of the Entente Allies.

Americans Think Matters Moving Slow

Paris, April 1.—A feeling of apprehension over the outlook of the Peace Conference is felt by the American delegates here who state that matters are not moving as fast as they should. It is not that they fear a deadlock, but that too much time is being consumed over the differences regarding the Rhine frontier, and the question of reparation which has been raised by the French delegates.

THREAT OF DEBS TO START SOMETHING

Akron, Ohio, April 1.—Eugene V. Debs, socialist leader, yesterday threatened to start a general strike of his party throughout the country unless he is granted a rehearing in the courts on charges upon which he was convicted under the espionage act.

Debs was confined to bed with a bad attack of lumbago at the home of Mrs. Margaret Prevey, here when notified the United States Supreme Court had refused him a rehearing. He refused to see newspaper men but through Mrs. Prevey issued the following statement:

"The matter is in the hands of my attorneys.

"Unless something further can be done, the program of the party to tie up the country in a general strike will be fulfilled. I am prepared to fight to the end."

Mrs. Prevey said Debs' condition not serious.

EXTENDING SUFFRAGE IN JAPAN

Tokio, Feb. 26.—A revised election law, having been approved by the Privy Council has been introduced in the House of Representatives. Mr. Tokunami, the Home Minister, introduced the bill with an explanation that the government's motive in doing so was to meet the altered conditions of the times as well as the nation's advancement in political thought.

Public interest in the bill centers in the clause extending the franchise. The number of voters under the existing law is 1,460,000 or 2.6 per cent of the total population, the minimum tax requirement being \$5. The present bill would give the vote to 2,800,000 persons with the payment of at least \$1.50 in taxes as the standard.

BASE BALL

Arrangements have been made by the Chamber of Commerce to have the New York American and the Brooklyn National Base Ball Clubs play an exhibition game in Goldsboro on Wednesday, April 16th. These two teams are on their annual playing trip south, and will make only one stop in North Carolina, as they open the spring series in New York City on April 18th. Watch this paper for particulars.